

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS
OF ODAWA INDIANS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MINUTES
MAY 6, 2006

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PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN

Meeting called to order by Chair Kishigo-Lesky at 10:03 am.

Bkwenenjige by Vice-Chair Bott and invocation by Commissioner Givens.

Roll call:

Present: Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, John Bott, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow, Michael
Givens and Laura Blumberg

Quorum established.

Staff: Susan A. Swadling, Economic Development Assistant
Theresa Keshick, Economic Development Research Assistant

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to adopt the agenda as presented and amended,
supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent

Motion passed.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to adopt the minutes of April 8, 2006 as
presented and amended, supported by Commissioner Givens.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Open public comment at 10:26 am.

Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, Susan A. Swadling, Theresa Keshick, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow,
John Bott, Michael Givens and Laura Blumberg.

Close public comment at 10:50 am.

Council feedback

Reviewed information sent from the Tribal Council, the cover sheet needs to be printed
and added to the EDC packets.

Discussion was held regarding the draft of the Commissions, Boards and Committees
Statute.

Commissioner Givens left at 10:57 am.

Commissioner Givens returned at 11:02 am.

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Carrie Carlson, Enterprise Accountant, arrived at 11:10 am.

Staff report

Tribal Council decided to close Kings Inn at their April 23, 2006 meeting when Tribal Resolution #042306-05 was passed. General Manager Lauree Kirchoff and Susan A. Swadling are preparing an inventory of items at Kings Inn in preparation of closing the facility.

On May 11, 2006, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians will be hosting the State-Tribal Economic Development Forum. The meeting will be held in the conference room at the Health Park. Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik will be addressing the meeting regarding the Tribal enterprises.

Theresa Keshick will investigate the change from the reimbursement method in the Tax Agreement to the certificate/voucher system. She will instigate discussions with the Tribal Chairman and the Legal Department.

At Bells Fishery, Kevin Schlappi, Manager, has hired a retail clerk, her name is Toinelle Brasseur.

Carrie Carlson, Enterprise Accountant, needs monthly inventories for Biindigen. Tribal Chairman Ettawageshik and James Bransky, General Counsel are taking care of Derrer's contract with Biindigen.

11:52 am Vice-Chair Bott and Commissioner Blumberg left.

11:54 am Commissioner Blumberg returned.

11:56 am Vice-Chair Bott returned.

Discussion was held on the need for a larger hard drive to help inventory of other tobacco products at Biindigen.

Lunch break at 12:04 pm.

12:43 pm reconvene.

Bell's needs a sales representative although it is not open seven days a week yet.

Tribal Chairman Ettawageshik and Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr. are preparing a presentation for Tribal Council regarding the enterprises.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to accept the staff verbal report, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Chair report

Economic Development Commission quarterly reports are submitted to the Tribal Chairman's office to be presented with the Executive report to Tribal Council.

Two letters need to be drafted, one regarding the grant for the CDFI and one regarding Bell's Fishery.

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Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to accept the chair's verbal and written report, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (Chair Kishigo-Lesky), 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Vice-Chair report – no report.

Treasurer report

Discussion was held regarding the revenue and expense report for the commission.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to accept the treasurer's verbal and written report, supported by Commissioner Blumberg.

Vote taken: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow), 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Secretary report – no report.

Annual meeting

Annual community meeting will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2006 at the Petoskey Middle School. Staff needs to be there at 8:00 am and the doors open at 8:30 am for the public. Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow, Commissioner Blumberg, Vice-Chair Bott and Chair Kishigo-Lesky are planning on attending.

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow left at 1:09 pm

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow returned at 1:14 pm.

Chair Kishigo-Lesky will complete the commission's brochure for the meeting.

CDFI

Letter will be sent to Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr. and Tribal Chairman Ettawageshik regarding the grant.

Commission needs to discuss housing issues with Ray Kiogima from the Housing Commission.

Strategic Plan – tabled.

Car Wash Proposal

Discussion was held regarding the car wash proposal received.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to have Secretary Givens write a letter to Gordy Adams, Jr. of Powerain to decline his car wash proposal, supported by Commissioner Givens.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Odawa Enterprises

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Reviewed the final report received from Northwood University.

Break at 1:47 pm.

Reconvened at 1:56 pm.

Opened public comment at 1:56 pm.

Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, John Bott, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow, Michael Givens and Susan A. Swadling

Closed public comment at 1:57 pm.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to go into closed session, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Went into closed session at 1:57 pm.

Reopen meeting at 2:30 pm.

Next meeting will be on June 10th at 9:30 am. Commissioner Givens will arrange lunch for the June meeting.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to adjourn the meeting, supported by Commissioner Givens.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:32 pm.

_____, Michael Givens, Secretary